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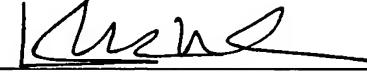
REMARKS

The claim amendments have been made in order to conform this patent application to customary United States patent practice. In particular, the claims have been amended to remove the multiple dependencies, and claims 22-24 have been canceled. New claim 27 represents original claim 21 in dependent form. The scope of the claimed subject matter remains unchanged from that of the original claims.

Examination and allowance of pending claims 1-21 and 25-27 are respectfully requested.

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